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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: QRP-L digest 1288

QRP-L Digest 1288

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by w4bld@juno.com
  - 32) [25965] SS-SSB-QRP-VE5QRP- (fwd)  
by Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
  - 33) [25966] Happy Thanksgiving to All  
by "W. D. (Doc) Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
  - 34) [25967] Re: New Callsign  
by James Skalski <jskalski@buffnet.net>
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by Tom Palmer <n1tp@worldnet.att.net>
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by "Frank" <ke6vhm@earthlink.net>
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by Peter Larsen <larsenp@cadvision.com>
  - 38) [25971] Re: Public Safety Message  
by w4bws@juno.com (Donald E Sanders)
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by w4bws@juno.com (Donald E Sanders)
  - 40) [25973] Re: Public Safety Message  
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by mike czuhajewski <wa8mcq@erols.com>
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by "Benjamin F. Poinsett" <benmail@erols.com>
  - 43) [25976] WM-20 SSB extensive mod?

- by "David Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
- 44) [25977] Re: Deconstructing an ART-13 & other follies  
by "Mel Evans" <MelGM6JAG@bccscotland.freemove.co.uk>
- 45) [25978] Re:FOX  
by "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
- 46) [25979] WTB: Ten Tec Model 282 (250hz) Filter  
by "Tim Cook" <timcook@erinet.com>
- 47) [25980] WTD: TenTec Mdl 301 Remote Tuning Unit  
by "GARY McCAUGHEY" <mail4gary@worldnet.att.net>
- 48) [25981] Proverbs for the 90s source  
by "Michael Fletcher" <kl7ixi@mailcity.com>
- 49) [25982] Re: Crystal Filter Measurements - DB References  
by n2tpa@juno.com (Bill d Lazure)
- 50) [25983] Re: BNC: NC40, 40A, Sierra, SST... K2... see a pattern here? :)  
by n2tpa@juno.com (Bill d Lazure)

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 17:58:08 -0600  
From: "Joe S" <joe@quadj.com>  
To: <ehare@arrl.org>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25934] Re: ARRL Membership & 1995 Handbook NN1G Transceiver  
Message-ID: <002f01be18cf\$7419d720\$6f796e80@joes>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ed,  
Thanks for the insights, and for all your efforts.

72/3 Joe KK5NA

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Date: Sat, 21 Nov 1998 18:05:36 -0600  
From: "Michael L. Miller, M.D." <millerm@merle.acns.nwu.edu>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25935] Re: The Soldering Iron of Justice  
Message-ID: <199811260006.SAA12960@anima.nums.nwu.edu>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Outstanding. I particularly like the obvious Thanksgiving sentiment involved. Course, the free drink would come whilst everyone was setting up their 500 milliwatt rigs in the side of the ole corral...at the BarSK ranch...on 72 quesadilla rancho paso road.

At 11:57 AM 11/25/98 -0800, you wrote:

>I thought you'se folks would enjoy this "deep thought" which I saw  
>today:

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>If I lived back in the Wild West days, instead of carrying a six-gun  
>in my holster, I'd carry a soldering iron. That way, if some  
>smart-aleck cowboy said something like "Hey, look, He's carrying a  
>soldering iron!" and started laughing, and everybody else started  
>laughing, I could just say, "That's right, it's a soldering iron. The  
>soldering iron of justice."

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>Then everybody would get real quiet and ashamed, because they made fun  
>of the soldering iron of justice, and I could probably hit them up for  
>a free drink.

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>>From Deep Thoughts, by Jack handy

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>Jim, KI7Q QRP-L#1689

><http://www.halcyon.com/knopf/jim>

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>DO YOU YAHOO!?

>Get your free @yahoo.com address at <http://mail.yahoo.com>

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Michael L. Miller, MD

millerm@nwu.edu

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 16:27:35 -0800

From: Jack Parker <[pparker@greatbasin.net](mailto:pparker@greatbasin.net)>

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25936] Re: Stuff FS  
Message-ID: <3.0.1.32.19981125162735.0068634c@mail.greatbasin.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

The 38 Special is sold. Only the NN1G "72" 20-meter cw transceiver remains.  
Will sell that for \$50, shipped CONUS, but that's as low as I can go!

Thanks...72,

Jack, W7PW

"You're an interesting species....capable of such beautiful dreams, and such  
horrible nightmares."

from the movie "Contact"  
(based on the book by Carl Sagan)

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 16:32:46 -0800 (PST)  
From: Jim Knopf <ki7q@yahoo.com>  
To: QRP-L Maillist <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25937] Ladder line under the house  
Message-ID: <19981126003246.9553.rocketmail@send105.yahoomail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Gang,

I've been thinking about the possibility of feeding my 80 meter full  
wave delta loop with ladder line instead of the rg8 coax thats  
currently in use.

I feed the cable through an antenna tuner.  
The cable goes out the floor of my shack, under the house through the  
crawl space and about 100 feet later emerges to ascend to the trees  
and my big 'ol loop.

Would I have less loss with the ladder line? Would rf from the ladder  
line get into the house?

I sure could use some educated comments on this idea.

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Jim, KI7Q QRP-L#1689

<http://www.halcyon.com/knopf/jim>

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DO YOU YAHOO!?

Get your free @yahoo.com address at <http://mail.yahoo.com>

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 19:30:25 EST  
From: Shepherd@aol.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25938] Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <cd088dcd.365ca121@aol.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I hope everyone on the list has a safe and happy thanksgiving.

72,73  
Dan, N8IE  
QRP1 #1404  
FISTS #4985  
All around nice guy.

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 19:54:49 -0500  
From: Richard Arland <k7sz@epix.net>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25939] Happy Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <365CA6D9.4C02F8B1@epix.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I hope you all have a very nice Thanksgiving.

If any of you are going to be on the road, please  
drive safely.

God Bless es 73

Rich K7SZ

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 01:06:30 GMT  
From: mwattcpa@earthlink.net (Marty Watt)  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25940] Re: Code Warrior  
Message-ID: <365da82a.67545273@mail.earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

On Wed, 25 Nov 1998 17:00:58 -0500, Tom Palmer <n1tp@worldnet.att.net> =  
wrote:

>Yes, I've been on 80 lately and I know what you mean, including the net  
>around 7.880 with the Net Controller's name is "Puke" ... and it's =  
downhill  
>from there. That's the Net where the members brag about there "under =  
the  
>porch" amplifiers. I'm concerned that the planned "restructuring" will =  
make  
>things that much worse. Tom, N1TP.

IF we embrace change, we can benefit from it.

I.e., regardless of the standards we have the power, through our =  
willingness  
to elmer newcomers (even no-code newcomers!), to put a stop to the =  
garbage by  
populating the band with courteous, polite operators. We are a =  
self-policing  
bunch (even with new enforcement initiatives), and we need to teach and  
instill some values back into our operators.

People can still have opinions. I'd just rather see them expressed in a =  
more  
appropriate manner than that I find on 80m SSB or 20m international nets.=

But  
left to their own, the degeneration will continue, with or without =  
license  
restructuring.

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72 es 73 de Marty, KM7W

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Memphis, Tennessee =  
<http://home.earthlink.net/~mwattcpa>  
VE -- NorCal #2031 -- ARCI #7514 -- QRP-L #0953 -- AK/QRP #098 -- Grid =  
EM55ce  
CODE WARRIOR(c) #29 -- Mobile CW -- "Taking Code on the Road with a =  
Vengeance"

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 01:20:17 +0000  
From: bob evinger <revinger@marshallonline.com>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.edu, wvara@qrp.com, pwrbase@aol.com, moe@ticz.com  
Subject: [25941] Public Safety Message  
Message-ID: <365CACD1.AEE90E16@marshallonline.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
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I had an "enlightening experience" this evening. Left work keyed up the  
2 meter rig on high power simplex to try and raise the xyl and set off  
the  
alarm system in the car next to me.... That relates to what happened  
next all  
I could think about was what 50 watts would have done under the  
following  
conditions.

My driveway is 1200 foot long, about 1/2 way down it I saw a "piece of  
trash"  
that I thought the dogs had drug up. Stopped and backed up at a distance  
it looked like a short piece of wire with a strange bright red plastic  
dog  
leash looking hook on the end of it. I picked it up to examine it and  
take it  
to the trash barrel. Saw something on a paper tag that was somewhat  
faded about  
warning/children blah, blah. That is about the same time I realized what  
I  
had in my hand. That and the lettering on one side that said danger and  
the  
other side said explosive. BLASTING CAP.

I took it up to the house, put it on top of the tractor so the kids and  
dogs



wouldnt get ahold of it and called my neighbor that is a deputy sheriff to find out what I should do with it. Stupid thing was when I walked back up to it with the cordless phone.

Here is where qrp ties in, sure am glad cordless phones are QRP. He said he would come up and pick it up. As he was driving up the lane he stopped about 200 foot past where I found the cap, backed up got out and picked something up. He had found ANOTHER ONE!

I was still thinking that the dogs had drug them up from somewhere most likely the quarry, but that is 4 miles away. After talking for about 15 minutes we realized where they were from. I had about 60 ton of the bigger 2 inch rock delivered about 4 weeks ago. Apparently, they set a primary and a backup charge and they dont always set off the secondary if the first one goes or maybe the explosion breaks the wires and not all of them go off. ANYway, there were at least 2 unexploded caps in the rock that was delivered. Assuming that I dont find more.

I guess I just wanted you folks that use rock on your driveways to keep in mind that they dont break that stuff up with sledge hammers.

So if you see any bright shiny red things with wires dangling out of them mixed in with a fresh load of rock you probably shouldnt pick it up. I was always taught to treat that stuff like a gun always assume it is loaded. It had rained several times since the rock was dropped and I dont know how weather tight they are.

It just wasnt the kind of thing that I expected to find laying in my driveway. Fortunately I still have all my fingers and other appendages and I made sure that I showed the kids what they looked like with the warning if you see anymore

of these dont touch them.

73 and counting my blessings.

bob

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Bob Evinger | 19250 N. Livingston Road | revinger@marshallonline.com  
WD9EKA | Marshall, IL 62441 |

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 20:58:09 -0500  
From: "John J. McDonough" <jjmcd@tm.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25942] Happy Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <199811260201.2938500@is1.tm.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
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Each of us this Thanksgiving has a different collection of gifts to give thanks for. Some of us have our health, others perhaps challenges there. Some of us have our families, others perhaps have suffered a loss. Some of us have the means to live comfortably, others perhaps have to struggle.

But each of us in the Internet QRP Club can be thankful for a large group of friends, always willing to reach out and help.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone, and be careful out there. We all want you back.

72/73 de WB8RCR            <http://users.tm.net/jjmcd/>  
didileydadidah        QRP-L #1446    Code Warriors #35

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 18:00:18 -0800  
From: Vic Rosenthal <rakefet@rakefet.com>  
To: ki7q@yahoo.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25943] Re: Ladder line under the house  
Message-ID: <365CB632.324D9644@rakefet.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Jim Knopf wrote:

>  
> I've been thinking about the possibility of feeding my 80 meter full  
> wave delta loop with ladder line instead of the rg8 coax thats  
> currently in use.  
  
> Would I have less loss with the ladder line?

Yes, although it wouldn't be much of a difference on 80 meters.

> Would rf from the ladder  
> line get into the house?

No. As long as the load is balanced (a loop is), there won't be radiation from the ladder line.

As a bonus, it will probably work better on those bands where the SWR happens to be astronomical.

Vic, K2VCO  
Fresno CA

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 19:58:16 -0500  
From: Richard Arland <k7sz@epix.net>  
To: "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey N2EI" <tjarey@home.com>  
Cc: Bill Cole <billc@dandy.net>, Dave Marshall <n8oay@sprintmail.com>, Don Schimmel <dwschiml@intrepid.net>, Ed Muro <KC2AYC@qsl.net>, John McColman <jmccolma@richmond.infi.net>, Jon Cohen <jon@pluto.njcc.com>, Lynn Burke <lburke@infi.net>, Mark Meece <mmeece@siscom.net>,  
Subject: [25944] Re: Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <365CA7A8.FDEB01A0@epix.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

T.J. "SKIP" Arey N2EI wrote:  
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> Quite a lot to be thankful for this year.

And that's God's honest truth!

Have a Happy Thanksgiving, everyone and God Bless.

73 Rich Arland, K7SZ

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 18:23:25 -0800  
From: "Bill Todd" <bill@willapabay.org>  
To: <revinger@marshallonline.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25945] Re: Public Safety Message  
Message-ID: <005601be18e3\$c323d1e0\$215233d1@default>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
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>I had an "enlightening experience" this evening. Left work keyed up the  
>2 meter rig on high power simplex to try and raise the xyl and set off  
>the alarm system in the car next to me....

Hi Bob (& QRP-L) -

Your incident with the alarm system in the car next to you reminded me of  
one of my experiences when I was doing a lot of 40 meter CW mobil work.

I was running full power (100 watts) at the time, to a Texas Bugcatcher on  
my Chevy Celebrity. Every time I drove past this particular Swedish Auto  
Repair shop in West Seattle, I would have to stop keying for a few seconds  
or I would set off the alarm system in this Auto shop!  
This effect seemed to happen only when I was operating on 40 meters.

CUL, Bill-N7MFB  
<http://www.willapabay.org/~bill>  
ICQ me @ 8926298

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 19:53:04 -0800  
From: radman <radman@best.com>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Cc: kd1jv@moose.ncia.net  
Subject: [25946] 10 Meter AM was \*hot\* today....  
Message-ID: <365CD0A0.4483@best.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

On Thanksgiving Day -- after you've consumed your obligatory 17 pounds of turkey, four gallons of gravy and six apple pies -- consider tuning around on 10Meters for AM ops. Today I was at Stonington Point, CT and enlisted their ~50 foot steel flag pole lanyard to fashion a vertical for my Yupiteru wide band scanner. I was listening for Steve Weber's -- KD1JV 10M AM beacon station on 29.100 MHz. I couldn't hear KD1JV -- perhaps I was too close to him. But, I was *\*astounded\** at the amount of 10M AM band activity. Not only was there plenty of DX, but I was amazed that the stations actually had ham call signs ;) The 6's, 4's, 7's, 5's, and what sounded like French-speaking Canadians were all pounding in at 12:30 EST. My Yupi scanner isn't the best DX receiver, so fire up your JA rig or whatever you've got and check it out :-). Try 29.060 to 29.100MHz... you should hear activity. And, you can run QRP :-)

Happy Thanksgiving to all and vry 72 - Conrad Weiss - NN6CW

ps... sorry, no spell-checker ;)

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 20:10:05 -0800 (PST)  
From: David Feldman <dgf@netcom.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25947] JPS ANC-4 hook-up  
Message-ID: <199811260410.UAA03123@netcom17.netcom.com>

Not exactly QRP, but I'll be using it with my QRP+.  
Anyway, bought one and didn't rcv the docs.  
If you know about it, could you tell me whether it's designed to self-switch-out during transmit? If so, what are the power limits?

73 Dave WBOGAZ dgf@netcom.com

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 21:16:37 -0700 (MST)  
From: Paul Harden <pharden@aoc.nrao.edu>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25948] Solar stuff for Turkey day  
Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.91.981125211032.23252C-100000@zia>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

The sun has been amazingly active this week, with numerous X-class

flares beginning on Sunday. The X3 occurred during the contest and shut down things for about a half-hour, or about the duration of the event. But all of this activity has occurred from a region near the west limb of the sun, meaning it is rotating beyond our view right now. And because these huge flares are on the limbs, the particle radiation and shock wave from the resulting coronal mass ejections were blown into interstellar space, away from the earth. Thus, we can expect no further effects, namely any geomagnetic disturbances.

THE SOLAR FLUX HAS RISEN well past few days as a result, now at 150 and values to 165 predicted over the next few days. This means hot propagation on 10M during daylight hours.

THE GEOMAGNETIC FIELD will be quiet ... so all HF bands should be optimum to use.

Good DX and good QSO's,  
Paul NA5N

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 22:48:12 -0600  
From: sholisky@ktca.org (Scott Holisky)  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25949] NOAR 10m beacon  
Message-ID: <fc.000f548a003b93a7000f548a003b93a7.3b93b1@ktca.org>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
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Just for grins I've put my ol' six meter beacon ( another story) down on Ten meters. Running a 100 milliwatts out, on a frequency of 28.255 Mhz. Antenna is what I had open, a 46" ground plane, so there's added challenge. :)

The ID'er keys every minute: NOAR/BCN St.Paul, MN

Take a listen, I'll leave it on til' at least next week. Please drop me a note if you hear it.

Thanks - Scott NOAR

sholisky@ktca.org

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 22:06:08 -0500  
From: nilsbull@juno.com (Nils R Young)  
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25950] More about the ART-13 debacle . . . "Pinchy!"  
Message-ID: <19981125.220622.4430.2.nilsbull@juno.com>

Gang,

C'mon, gimme a break here, hippies! I have all kinds of stuff hanging around the shack. And we ain't even counted the cats and possums & stuff yet. I have enough stuff to keep most crazies going for years.

Those who recommended my putting the box on a pedestal in the garden forget that I have a herd of hunter-gatherer cretins living next door who let their kids out into other people's yards so they can get more stuff to stack on top of the other piles of rusting crap that they keep. Like that dead VW that lay on its side for nearly a year before it disappeared. So I don't need anything on a pedestal, something to fall on one of the little mutant brainless urchins when they're out doing their scavenger act.

Those who recommended I get with the tube-heads & boatanchor tribe to give the machine it's appropriate use, I must inform you that it arrived in my care already pretty nicely modified, thank you very much. I have a handful of the tubes, including the 813, and I plan on someday having a hell of an estate auction with that stuff.

I also have two mint condition rack panel size boxes into which I could remanufacture a couple different tube rigs, but into which I am willing to put some of the parts from the ART13, should my medication wear off & Cindy not have me in leathers by that time.

Man's gotta know his limitations.

And besides, it ain't QRP!

Which reminds me: I was thinking of how much work I'd have to do to keep the box & knobs & stuff intact and then put the Sierra in there. Then Cindy put me in leathers & I'm feeling much better now, although these slacks do chafe. This is the second ART13 I've had in this condition & I've missed every one of 'em about two minutes after I did the surgery. Then, when I remembered how much space it took up & how many times I'd moved it just to put another QSL in the little plastic things on the wall, I remembered why I took it out to pasture anyway.

Still, it'd make one hell of a conversation piece. Especially since I





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I have two 30-M rigs for sale.  
ARK-30 with tick keyer built in and the anti hiss mod on the 386 chip  
\$165.00 shipped.  
SST 30-M  
I think it has the extended coverage mod installed.  
It's not mine. I will double check on that.  
\$70.00 Shipped.  
On my ARK 30-M I may consider a trade of equal value  
Bob  
WA2HOQ

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 00:16:20 -0600 (CST)  
From: aweiss@usd.edu (Ade Weiss WORSP)  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25953] TNX QRP-Bob: Sierra +6 radials + FOX  
Message-ID: <199811260616.AAA00470@sunburst.usd.edu>

Hi All: As some may have heard, QRP Bob of Wilderness Radio awarded me a Sierra at the NORCAL fest!! I was just about to buy one, so just in time! At any rate, one priority reason behind my desire to get a Sierra was 160 meters. To make a long story shorter, here's how it went.

I came back from NORCAL with loads of papers to grade, set up a survey etc.etc. I did not want to rush thru the construction. Fate answered -- I got blown away by a bronchial infection a couple of weeks ago. So I spent about a week leisurely putting the rig together -- a joy since the kit and pcb are first rate. Unlike my usual rush to get something on the air, I did the 40m module so as to listen to QRP freq while winding the 80 or so T-37 toroids for all the band modules. I never thought I would become so expert at this! WOW! I aligned the rx on 40 -- easy -- and had to find out about Wayne Burdicks ABX filter. WOW!! Incredible!! I could slice a QRP station off a 599 about 200Hz away!! Wayne -- congrats on this rx design --

it is truly a \$1000 receiver!!

So, I listened and wound. I heard the FOX one night, but hadn't aligned the xmtr, so I quickly set up another rig -- then he disappeared in 20secs -- like an antenna switch over.

Finally got around to fiddling with the pinet filter for 3w output at 12.5vdc. 160m was my real aim though. So, we had a nice day, and i laid out 6 radials sort of under my 40m Zepp, which, including feedline, figures out to a 1/4 wave on 160. Give it a try! No anaswers to my CQ's for a while, then a guy over in MN CQ'd-- nailed him of the first try. We chewed the rag for an hour -- that's 160m! So, my FIRST QSO with the Sierra was on 160m, and that was my First 160m QSO in about a quarter of a century! Then a couple of nights ago, I was winding away listening for the FOX. Sure enough, he showed up and I bagged him. So far, great!

What will I work next? Still ahve to put it in the cabinet which, incdentally, is totally impressive. I'm afraid of scratching it -- besides, the rig works perfectly just sitting there naked on the bench!

THANKS AGAIN BOB!!!!

72 to all, Ade

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 01:25:39 -0500  
From: "Floyd Soo, W8RO" <hires@rust.net>  
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25954] Happy Thanksgiving!  
Message-ID: <199811260617.BAA07658@mail.mi.verio.com>  
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To all my friends on the QRP-L List,

Have a GREAT Turkey Day!

Thanks for a very informative and entertaining list!

73,  
Floyd Soo, W8RO  
President, HI-RES Communications, Inc.  
Board Member, Collins Collectors Association (#002)  
QRP-L #392  
hires@rust.net  
<http://www.rust.net/~hires>

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 22:41:35 -0800  
From: Dave Fifield <fifield@pacbell.net>  
To: QRP List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25955] New Callsign  
Message-ID: <365CF81F.1A64@pacbell.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
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Hi folks, I can't contain myself any longer:

The Norcal 20 board was so packed with components that I had trouble fitting my callsign on there somewhere....so I went for a vanity call that I knew was coming up, and to my great surprise, I got it!!!

Old call: AD6AY  
New call: AD6A

Nice! Easy on CW and phone.  
CU on the air with it sometime over Thanksgiving!

Andreas, AD6FQ, sent me an email this evening to let me know, just in time to really make it a happy Thanksgiving for me!

72, Dave Fifield, AD6A

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 02:39:47 EST

From: Ab7wy@aol.com  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25956] Re: Happy Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <159f0b4f.365d05c3@aol.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit  
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In a message dated 11/25/98 6:03:05 PM Pacific Standard Time, jjmcd@tm.net writes:

<< Each of us this Thanksgiving has a different collection of gifts to give thanks for. Some of us have our health, others perhaps challenges there. Some of us have our families, others perhaps have suffered a loss. Some of us have the means to live comfortably, others perhaps have to struggle. >>

...and ive got a full plate of snickerdoodles next to me so im content!! my wife makes the best cookies (i got her beat in the BBQ pizza department though).

it really is a time to be thankful for what we have. there was a factory explosion here in Washington earlier this afternoon....5 men wont be home for the holidays ever again.

please love those that are around you and cherish everyday that you have to live, and say a prayer for those families that are hurting right now.

it seems odd to me that folks sometimes only seem sympathetic around the holiday season, and "too busy" to be bothered the rest of the year, lets not lose sight of the fact that we are a fragile species with a shelf life. we are also capable of giving joy to those who may have a jaded view of what this time means. i speak from experience, its been a rough road. but im thankful everyday day for the fact that im doing ok and my family is with me. this list has the most well-wishes and kind people of any of the lists im subscribed to (about 45).

well, me and my snickerdoodles will be assembling my MFJ vertical tomorrow for the big contest on friday (im sure ill be doing all the work, the cookies will just sit there). im not a world class tester, so my plan is to beat all previous contest scores that ive ever posted from 1983 to date....wish me luck!

lock and load...its time to rock!!  
have a safe and happy turkey day, peace.  
73....Adam, N7YA

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 02:58:02 EST  
From: Ab7wy@aol.com  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.EDU

Subject: [25957] Re: Solar stuff for Turkey day  
Message-ID: <486df040.365d0a0a@aol.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
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In a message dated 11/25/98 8:18:06 PM Pacific Standard Time,  
pharden@aoc.nrao.edu writes:

<< THE SOLAR FLUX HAS RISEN well past few days as a result, now at 150  
and values to 165 predicted over the next few days. This means hot  
propagation on 10M during daylight hours.

THE GEOMAGNETIC FIELD will be quiet ... so all HF bands should be  
optimum to use.

Good DX and good QSO's,  
Paul NA5N >>

This has got to be some of the BEST news ive gotten in a while....im REALLY  
going to get cracking on that vertical and log a bundh of new stuff this  
weekend, i suggest you guys jump into the CQ WW test and log some new stuff as  
well....its a great opportunity to get some great cards with low power.'

btw, 5V7A will be on again this year. their manager Bill, GM4AGL, is GREAT  
about encouraging qrp work and will put the accomplishment prominently on the  
card...its a nice feeling. besides, they are great operators with good ears,  
give em a shout, you may be suprisd. hope to hear the gang out in the  
battlefield this weekend.

73....Adam, N7YA

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 03:10:08 EST  
From: RangerSF5@aol.com  
To: Ab7wy@aol.com, qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25958] Re: Happy Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <a720cdd8.365d0ce0@aol.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit  
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In a message dated 98-11-26 02:42:22 EST, you write:

<< it seems odd to me that folks sometimes only seem sympathetic around the  
holiday season, and "too busy" to be bothered the rest of the year, lets not

lose sight of the fact that we are a fragile species with a shelf life. we  
are  
also capable of giving joy to those who may have a jaded view of what this >>

I know this is off topic but I want to thank you for speaking up about this.  
Your 100% right.

No dinner on this end but i'm always remembered when something breaks down, car  
won't start, washer won't wash the list is endless.

Bob

WA2HOQ

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 04:54:08 -0800  
From: "Francis Callahan" <colcal@srv.net>  
To: <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25959] Lost Mail  
Message-ID: <199811261145.EAA25007@srv.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I seem to have deleated some of my mail by accident so if anyone sent a  
message to me please send it again KF7ET colcal@srv.net HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
EVERYONE

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 08:01:37 +0000  
From: Michael Neverdosky <MichaelN@cycat.com>  
To: qrp-l mailing list <qrp-l@Lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25960] Re: Code Warrior  
Message-ID: <365D0AE1.26A61208@cycat.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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Actually, if you are the 'spook' there is one rule;  
"Try not to get killed."

:-(

It is true that the FBI, CIA, Military and a few other organizations  
unmentioned can pretty much do what they want.

First, it is not easy to catch them and even when you do they cry "National security" and all of the evidence is sealed so there is no case.

In this day and age, there are lots of better ways for spooks (spies) to communicate than CW or voice on the Ham bands.  
BTW better usually means lower probability of detection/intercept.

Detection is when they know someone is transmitting, intercept is when they can read the message.

Then again, if the high tech toys are lost or broken, the spook is quite likely to use a backup of sending his message in CW on the closest Ham radio he can get his hands on.  
After all, all is fair in love and war. :-)

michael N6CHV

wa8rxi@juno.com wrote:

> FCC 97.117 says "Amateurs may not obscure the meaning of \*their\*  
> communications by  
> putting them into codes or ciphers".  
> But, if its a clandestine operation FBI, CIA, etc. then there are NO  
> Rules.

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 08:07:01 -0500  
From: Tom Palmer <n1tp@worldnet.att.net>  
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25961] THOUGHTS  
Message-ID: <365D5275.7450BBFA@worldnet.att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
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HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Members of the QRP-L group are not only super operators on the air, but day after day post so many well written, thoughtful, interesting and informative messages. Regards to all, Tom, N1TP, in beautiful, tropical, Naples, Florida. Yesterday (again) Naples was the hottest place in the continental 48. (84 degrees)

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 08:22:16 -0500

From: "Prof.Arnaldo Coro Antich" <inforhc@mail.infocom.etecsa.cu>  
To: <qrp-1@LeHigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25962] RE: Have a nice Thanksgiving Day Amigos !  
Message-ID: <000701be193f\$cb2e5d40\$04000a0a@inforhc>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

To all the good friends in America that today celebrate the  
traditional Thanksgiving, my best wishes and enjoy your  
turkey with family and friends  
Arnie  
C02KK

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 08:36:27 -0500  
From: Joseph Mikuckis <k3chp@erols.com>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25963] Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <365D595B.327C@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

A very happy Thanksgiving to all of you QRPers.  
And don't drink too much turkey!!!

Joe, K3CHP, k3chp@erols.com

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 09:09:53 -0400  
From: w4bld@juno.com  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu  
Subject: [25964] Thanksgiving Wish  
Message-ID: <19981126.091110.3214.1.w4bld@juno.com>

Hello List Members - I wish everyone a most Happy Thanksgiving. It is a  
privilege to be associated with such a fine group of people and I greatly  
appreciate the opportunity. My Best To All, Bob

Robert B. Kerby - W4BLD



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(I collect Gonset, Morow and Elmac)

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 08:29:51 -0600 (CST)  
From: Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>  
To: Low Power Group <qrp-l@LeHigh.EDU>, QRP-Canada <qrp-canada@lists.gpfn.sk.ca>  
Subject: [25965] SS-SSB-QRP-VE5QRP- (fwd)  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.981126082632.26813E-100000@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

....I've gone over my SS log again and found 1 more section I worked so  
that changes things from 74 to 75 sections = 36900....."Am I smiling? Can  
we talk?"..... ;-)))

...72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272  
A-1 club member "QRP! How sweet it is!"

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 10:05:07 -0500  
From: "W. D. (Doc) Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
To: QRP-L Discussion Group <QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU>  
Cc: "W.D. (Doc) Lindsey/K0EVZ" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
Subject: [25966] Happy Thanksgiving to All  
Message-ID: <199811261008\_MC2-61A0-895C@compuserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Here's wishing everyone on the list a most enjoyable Happy Thanksgiving.  
You are a great group to be a part of. Good luck one and all in tonight's  
FOX hunt.

72/73,  
--Doc Lindsey/K0EVZ  
DSBF  
P.O. Box 7187  
Bismarck, ND 58507  
E-Mail 70511.3041@compuserve.com

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 10:10:23 -0500 (EST)  
From: James Skalski <jskalski@buffnet.net>  
To: Dave Fifield <fifield@pacbell.net>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25967] Re: New Callsign  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.03.9811261006390.660-100000@valhalla.valhalla.buffalo.edu>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Wed, 25 Nov 1998, Dave Fifield wrote:

> Old call: AD6AY  
> New call: AD6A

This time ...Smaller \*is\* better. "AY" for some reason made me think  
"Canadian" :-)

Have a Happy Turkey Day.

73,

JIM (N2GO)

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 10:31:43 -0500  
From: Tom Palmer <n1tp@worldnet.att.net>  
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25968] FISTS FREQ. QSO WITH N8IE  
Message-ID: <365D745E.7AE1186E@worldnet.att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Just had the pleasure of running into Dan @ Kettering, Ohio, W8IE/QRP, on 14.059 for FISTS QS0. His 5 watts were booming into Naples, Fl. 589, and logged his rather new FISTS number in the bargain. Here in southwest Florida 10, 15 and 20 seem to be wide open. Looks like a promising radio day. Best regards to all, Tom, N1TP.

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 08:17:11 -0800  
From: "Frank" <ke6vhm@earthlink.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25969] Thanksgiving  
Message-ID: <002401be1958\$d4bfab20\$3403b2d1@frankwes>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

One more Happy Thanksgiving wish to one and all here on this great list.  
Happy DX 72 de Frank

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 16:25:49 +0000  
From: Peter Larsen <larsenp@cadvision.com>  
To: sholisky@ktca.org  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25970] Re: N0AR 10m beacon  
Message-ID: <365D810D.880EAD78@cadvision.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Scott:

Sorry no beacon here. Just some AM pirates.  
16:25 z Nov 26.

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73 es have fun  
Peter  
VE6YC D021wc

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Q. What does the agnostic dyslexic insomniac do at night?

A. Lies awake wondering whether there really is a dog.

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 11:10:05 -0500  
From: w4bws@juno.com (Donald E Sanders)  
To: revinger@marshallonline.com  
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25971] Re: Public Safety Message  
Message-ID: <19981126.115931.10214.8.W4BWS@juno.com>

Thanks for the info and warning Bob. Sometimes we forget about always present and imminent dangers.  
Donald E. Sanders W4BWS  
694 E. Eau Gallie Blvd. Satellite Beach, Fl 32937  
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E-mail to w4bws@juno.com  
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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 10:59:05 -0500  
From: w4bws@juno.com (Donald E Sanders)  
To: wa8rxi@juno.com  
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25972] Re: Code Warrior  
Message-ID: <19981126.115931.10214.7.W4BWS@juno.com>

Is "street language" a cipher ?  
Donald E. Sanders W4BWS  
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On Wed, 25 Nov 1998 15:50:55 -0500 wa8rxi@juno.com writes:  
>On Wed, 25 Nov 1998 05:30:01 -0500 Tom Palmer <n1tp@worldnet.att.net>  
>writes:  
>>Isn't there a rule that it's illegal to send cyphers on ham  
>>frequencies?  
>>Tom, N1TP.  
>=====

>Tom,  
>  
>FCC 97.117 says "Amateurs may not obscure the meaning of \*their\*  
>communications by  
>putting them into codes or ciphers".  
>But, if its a clandestine operation FBI, CIA, etc. then there are NO  
>Rules.  
>Rick - WA8RXI  
>  
>>Ed Loranger wrote:  
>>  
>>> If anyone needs practice with cypher groups in CW,  
>>> there is a unknown station with RST 539 on 7042.5  
>>> right now at 0729Z.  
>>>  
>>> trdag mwmin rmidm nmriw  
>  
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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 11:25:58 -0500  
From: w4bws@juno.com (Donald E Sanders)  
To: bill@willapabay.org  
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25973] Re: Public Safety Message  
Message-ID: <19981126.115931.10214.9.W4BWS@juno.com>

This reminds me of an incident years ago:  
Back in the early 70's the Florida Turnpike Police radios had  
an image frequency in the 2 meter band. I was going from  
Melbourne to Miami and North of Palm Beach I was pulled  
over by the police because he could hear me on his radio.  
After assurances I was not on his frequency and a short chat,  
we stopped at the service plaza for coffee and about 6 months  
later he got his ham license and a 2 meter radio to monitor .52  
and the local repeater. WE chatted many times over the next 2  
years, and had coffee several times, as I made that trip weekly.  
So you never know where your transmissions will lead you or  
what they will do.  
But always be aware of trucks with explosives, hauling loads of

rock, and if you run QRO, don't transmit when people are around near the antenna.

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My favorite QRP rig glows in the dark

On Wed, 25 Nov 1998 18:23:25 -0800 "Bill Todd" <bill@willapabay.org> writes:

>>I had an "enlightening experience" this evening. Left work keyed up  
>the 2 meter rig on high power simplex to try and raise the xyl and set  
>off the alarm system in the car next to me....

>

>Hi Bob (& QRP-L) -

>

>Your incident with the alarm system in the car next to you reminded me  
>of one of my experiences when I was doing a lot of 40 meter CW mobil  
>work. I was running full power (100 watts) at the time, to a Texas  
>Bugcatcher on my Chevy Celebrity. <snip>.

>

>CUL, Bill-N7MFB

><http://www.willapabay.org/~bill>

>ICQ me @ 8926298

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 12:25:31 -0500

From: mike czuhajewski <wa8mcq@erols.com>

To: QRP forum <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Cc: Bob Gobrick <rgobrick@worldnet.att.net>, Buck Switzer <n8cqa@tir.com>, Byron Johnson <byron8lcz@aol.com>, Cam Bailey <kt3a@juno.com>,

Danny Gingell <k3tks@abs.net>, Dave Johnson <wa4nid@amsat.org>, Hank Kohl <k8dd@contesting.com>, Jim Stafford <W4Q0@america.net>,

Subject: [25974] Don't dump on the authors!

Message-ID: <365D8F0B.400A@erols.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

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Here is an excerpt from my President's Notes that I'm writing for the January 1999 issue of the QRP Quarterly. (While it concerns the QRP Quarterly, the same principles apply to postings on QRP-L.)

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It's not uncommon for QRP Quarterly authors to get no feedback or thanks for their work (both articles and columns). Some folks aren't bothered by this, while others take the lack of feedback seriously. For instance, W7ZOI wrote a short lived but excellent experimenters column for the QRP Quarterly circa 1985 but quit after 4 issues. He told me that it was because he received no feedback from the readers, so had to assume that no one really cared. Feedback from other authors over the years expressed concern that they put large amounts of time into articles and received not one word of thanks from anyone. It's not enough to read and enjoy the articles; if something is really good, please take the time to tell the authors about it! They put a lot of time into them (and get no pay), and if they don't get warm fuzzies they may well stop writing and go somewhere else. (And many have.)

Here's the dark side of writing for the QRP Quarterly--a well known person had an excellent, well researched article a while back and he did get feedback from several readers but it was extremely negative at every level. He said that whenever his material appears in some other QRP journal or on QRP-L, he gets lots of e-mail thanking him for it. But his article in the QRP Quarterly did not generate a single "thank you"; instead he got many e-mails pointing out his spelling errors, challenging many of his statements, and even going so far as to call him an idiot. He even had two people mail him copies of his material with red marks all over pointing out the errors in spelling, punctuation, etc. (If anything, attack the editors and not the authors!)

He believes this indicates either that our readers are not interested in his efforts or that he is persona non grata due to his association with other QRP groups. He went so far as to say that he believed the critical e-mail was an orchestrated effort, although he would not tell me the identity of the people so I couldn't look into that. He did say that he saw no point in writing anything further for the QRP Quarterly until he could be reasonably assured that it would be appreciated and not generate mean-spirited attacks.

What is the moral of these two stories? If you like something in the QRP Quarterly, tell the authors about it every now and then, or they may stop writing for us and write for someone whose readers DO give them warm fuzzies. And if you don't like something in the QRP Quarterly, for God's sake, don't attack the authors! We have enough trouble getting material as it is. I've mentioned the W6TOY position many times--that it's silly to write an article for a non-paying magazine if you can send that same article to someone who will give you money for it and

give a wider audience to boot--and that I agree with that.

Fortunately, a lot of people still send us things that they could have sold to a paying magazine, but feedback from former editor Monte Starke KU7Y, indicates that this has cost us a number of articles and authors. You can look in ham magazines over the last several years and see a number of authors who once appeared in the QRP Quarterly or other QRP journals but now write for money. Nothing wrong with that, but it doesn't help us. And the combination of no pay AND blistering attacks is unbeatable.

People, don't dump on the authors. It benefits no one, and does considerable harm to the authors, the QRP ARCI, the QRP Quarterly and the readers.

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President, QRP ARCI

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 12:40:14 +0000  
From: "Benjamin F. Poinsett" <benmail@erols.com>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Cc: benmail@erols.com  
Subject: [25975] Martime CW Still on the Air  
Message-ID: <365D4C27.5ECB@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Last night, 26 Nov.1998 at 0200Z, I was listening to my newly acquired Radio Shack DX-398 (aka Sangean ATS-909) portable shortwave receiver and was pleasantly surprised! There they were--maritime CW stations. The frequency was around 6.5 MHz. I heard some US stations: WNU/WCC,WLO,and KPH. I had thought most USA maritime CW operations had been discontinued. Not so.

Moreover, tuning around 6.5 MHz I found stations in South Africa, Turkey, and Israel pounding brass. Sounds great. Most of the stations were putting out general calls with QSX (Will listen on ...KHz). The Israelie stations were transmitting messages that were made up of five letter code groups. Good practice. The speed was about 20 to 25WPM.

These stations offer a good source of code practice when they are sending messages--even if the message is in coded groups.



The reason I got the DX-398 is to fill in the "holes" I have on HF. My ham gear is all ham bands only. Sans 160 meters. So the DX-398 covers all the bands on HF down to LF. Selectivity isn't great. It also helps in getting a cursory "real time" propagation check by scanning all the WWV frequencies.

For those of you interested getting more CW practice these stations may help.

72 & 73,

Ben Poinsett, K3BP  
Bethesda, MD

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 11:41:38 -0700  
From: "David Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>  
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25976] WM-20 SSB extensive mod?  
Message-ID: <001101be196c\$67bdb1c0\$6cab85ce@davidek>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

Someone posted to this group a long message recently about (I think) converting a WM-20 SSB rig to CW. I can't track this message down. Could someone forward me a copy of that message?

tnx es 72 de Dave AB0GO

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 18:47:05 -0000  
From: "Mel Evans" <MelGM6JAG@bccscotland.freemove.co.uk>  
To: <nilsbull@juno.com>  
Cc: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25977] Re: Deconstructing an ART-13 & other follies  
Message-ID: <000001be196e\$7a15d260\$6330883e@default>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Nils,& gang,

First sign af age you know, when you start to think it's not worth stripping down an old wireless. Used to be even the nuts and bolts went into the jars in the garden shed, and the handles were kept just in case, and you never know when that three foot length of mains cord might come in handy.

Next stage is you'll start thinking of clearing enough of the junk out of the shack to see if the floor covering is the same colour as you remember it!

After that it's all downhill, you'll start spending more time on the computer than on the radio and then . . . . .

Regards

Me1 GM6JAG

Edinburgh Scotland UK  
Home of the last HW9

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 20:48:42 -0800  
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>  
To: <Jack.Bryant@math.tamu.edu>  
Cc: "QRP-L List" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25978] Re:FOX  
Message-ID: <01be18f8\$0ae0e720\$0100007f@ham.earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Jack

Thanks for digging me out. Conditions last night were the strangest I've seen in a while.

You would be decent copy at about 449 for about one contact, then you would be down in the noise. I'd have all my gains turned up, athen BANG, you would be 559 for a few seconds.

You were very close on my contact, Jack. Only correction is to my call,  
N6WG not N6WA

Thanks again, and 73,  
Bob N6WG

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 16:37:54 -0500  
From: "Tim Cook" <timcook@erinet.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [25979] WTB: Ten Tec Model 282 (250hz) Filter  
Message-ID: <017701be1985\$07164f80\$857f5acf@timcook.erinet.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Looking for a 282 filter for my Paragon...  
Thanks  
Tim  
NZ8J

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 16:52:13 -0000  
From: "GARY McCAUGHEY" <mail4gary@worldnet.att.net>  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [25980] WTD: TenTec Mdl 301 Remote Tuning Unit  
Message-ID: <002501be195d\$1f84c380\$0bdc4d0c@z6o3q0>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello Gang,

I am looking for the remote tuning unit for my OMNI V.  
Anyone got one they want to part with???????????

Thanks  
Gary  
W2UX

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 14:38:53 -0700  
From: "Michael Fletcher" <kl7ixi@mailcity.com>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25981] Proverbs for the 90s source  
Message-ID: <CAENMDMMLNEPAAAA@mailcity.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Greetings:

I've received some queries about the authors of the "Proverbs for the 90s" posted earlier. The author(s) are unknown but the proverbs may be found at: <http://ckelch.fcicom.com/humor/index.html> under "Computer Proverbs" along with many other chuckles.

Another source of humor is on a website run by Bry, AF4K:

<http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/jokes.htm>

Good material for e-mails and newsletters.

72,  
Mike KL7IXI/7  
Vancouver, WA  
A balanced diet is a  
cookie in each hand

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Date: Wed, 25 Nov 1998 17:44:34 -0500  
From: n2tpa@juno.com (Bill d Lazure)  
To: QRP-L@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25982] Re: Crystal Filter Measurements - DB References  
Message-ID: <19981126.173745.7654.2.N2TPA@juno.com>

Gangue,

Don't think this ever got posted to the list, so am trying again:

Bob Helms writes:

>Hi Bill,

---Snip---

>Another assumption I've made is that your filter can be impedance  
>matched to 50 ohms or whatever impedance your step attenuator is  
>designed for.

Okay all, part 3 of this idea:

I've seen ladder filter's impedance matched to the rest of the rig's circuitry using transformers or L/C networks. To get the ripple down on SSB, the filter's in and out resistance's must be very high, greater than 5K ohms if I recall correctly.

I have VERY bad luck making impedance matching transformers. I also worry that the added capacitance of an L/C network will detune the filter. Is there a compelling reason to avoid the use of active devices for the impedance matching?

I've recently acquired several low noise FETs. I find it simpler to set the In and output impedances of a circuit with these devices. Any reason why these aren't used more to affect impedance change in a xtal filter circuit?

Thanks for the answers to my previous post. I guess I was in the ballpark on the assumptions I'd already made.

72,

Bill  
W2EB

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Date: Thu, 26 Nov 1998 17:37:38 -0500  
From: n2tpa@juno.com (Bill d Lazure)  
To: Baranger1@aol.com  
Cc: QRP-L@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [25983] Re: BNC: NC40, 40A, Sierra, SST... K2... see a pattern here? :)  
Message-ID: <19981126.173745.7654.3.N2TPA@juno.com>

Gangue,

Also, RCA jacks work out pretty good. Small size, PCB mount available, and CHEAP.

72,  
Bill  
W2EB

Baranger1@aol.com writes:

>Long live the BNC!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

>It is a great connector and perfect for QRP!

>But then again I am a Mizuho nut and a little biased.

>73 Bill W9WCR

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